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Accused boys denied bail

COURTS Two young boys accused of murdering a Strathcona County man and woman were denied bail yesterday in court, but their lawyers plan to apply for their release in August.

Proceedings have been adjourned until July 28, when the lawyers hope to set dates for release hearings.

One 14-year-old boy stands accused of two counts of first-degree murder and six other break and enter-related charges.

The second boy is charged with two counts of being an accessory after the fact.

He has pleaded not guilty.

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FocusOn First Nations

For the next week, Metro Canada will be focusing on First Nations and Aboriginal news, community issues, arts and culture as part of a special series leading up to the Assembly of First Nations convention, July 21-23, in Calgary.

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City Centre Stomp

Courtney Brademann, left, and Laryssa Izio stomp some grapes in the City Centre Mall food court to promote Sipl, the wine and food experience that will take place at Capital Ex, starting Friday.

Prague reacts to visa policy

IMMIGRATION The financial cost of handling the flood of asylum claims led directly to the controversial imposition of a visa requirement on Czech and Mexican travellers, Immigration Minister Jason Kenney says.

But the impact on the Conservative foreign policy

agenda could be just as costly, threatening a proposed free trade deal with the European Union and marring a strategy of closer engagement with South and Latin America, observers warned yesterday. Prague reacted fiercely to the move, calling Czech ambassador Karel Ze-

brakovsky home from Ottawa for consultations, and seeking support from the European Union. EU diplomats said that the 27-nation bloc could retaliate by forcing any Canadians visiting the continent to get a visa, though that is considered unlikely. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Festival for Forces

2009's Capital Ex backs homecoming troops

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Thousands of fluttering yellow ribbons will mark a route for a staple city celebration tomorrow, combining gratitude for homecoming soldiers with a Capital Ex kickoff.

A decorated military man who will lead the winding downtown parade route says the task may be bittersweet.

"I do know that there are people out there that don't support the military," Warrant Officer Willy MacDonald said yesterday, adding though he's confident Edmontonians will largely support the parade's Canadian Forces synergy.

"I'm assuming there will be some emotional receptions along the way, which will be really nice."

The 19-year veteran has served four terms overseas, and was recently awarded the Star of Military Valour for courage in the face of intense enemy fire in Afghanistan.

Deciding on a troop-support theme to accompany

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this year's Capital Ex was an "obvious choice" for organizers. "The Edmonton Garrison is one of the major bases in Canada, and there are so many people living on it deployed overseas," spokesman Andrew Huntley said.

Additionally, family and friends of soldiers overseas will get a chance to send video greetings to their loved ones from camera booths set up on the Capital Ex grounds. Beginning at 10 a.m., the parade will run west down 102 Avenue from 97 Street, winding back east onto 103 Avenue, before ending back at Churchill Square.

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River Plate, Everton set to face off

Argentinean soccer club, Atletico River Plate, will come to Edmonton for four days on their three-week Canadian visit. They will play a "friendly" match against Everton FC of the English Premier league on July 25. It will be at Commonwealth Stadium at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are available at ticketmaster.ca. **METRO EDMONTON**

Take a run for the troops

Loops for Troops raises funds to help families of military personnel

GRAHAM MCCANN
for Metro Edmonton

The Canadian military is looking to recruit runners and walkers of all ages for support in the Loops for Troops Run.

The run, sponsored by The Running Room, will be at the Namao Base on Sunday, July 26 at 9 a.m. to raise money for the Edmonton Garrison Military Family Resource Centre.

The event entails a five-kilometre walk and run, a 10-kilometre run, or a military mile walk (1.6 km).

"Last year Calgary raised over \$150,000, so we'd like to meet or beat that; it will provide funds to support services that are offered and develop new programs," said OCDT. Sarah Keller.

The Military Family Resource Centre provides



Members of Lord Strathcona's House competed against members of the media in a 1.6-kilometre run —also called a military mile run — yesterday at the Edmonton Garrison to promote Loops For the Troops walk and run taking place on July 26.

support for families of military personnel, dealing with deployments, coping

with injury or loss, and the general toll that is taken on the families.

However, those who cannot be there for the run are asked to be there in

Background

- The Loops for the Troops Run was created by Michael Hornburg to honour his son Cpl. Nathan Hornburg, who was killed in Afghanistan.
- You can register at any Running Room location or online at runningroom.com.

"spirit" by donating to the cause.

Media attended a military mile run yesterday, and keeping up with military-trained athletes is certainly a task.

"We believe in supporting the community as much as possible. We like to help people do things like this and supply the equipment for them and give them as much advice as we can," said Arthur Warman, Edmonton events manager for the Running Room.

News in brief

FATALITY A man is dead and another injured after a motorcycle collision Monday evening. Witnesses say that a motorcycle with two riders was speeding erratically southbound on 178 Street and struck a curb south of 96 Avenue, police said. The 20-year-old man on the motorcycle was pronounced dead at the scene, and the 30-year-old man who was also on the motorcycle was taken to hospital with serious injuries. The identity of the injured man is unknown. Police ask any witnesses to call the non-emergency line at 780-423-4567.

PINE BEETLES Provincial forestry authorities are revealing that the cold temperatures of winter weren't enough to reduce the threat of mountain pine beetles as hoped, forcing action to help stop the spread. The beetles threaten over six million hectares of pine forest in Alberta, a disturbing trend that began in southwest Alberta in 2002. Studies comparing the beetle's mortality rate to the number of dead pine trees will be conducted by the province to determine what kind of control work will be needed for the upcoming winter. The goal is to prevent the beetles from spreading east to the boreal forest.

CRIME A traffic stop Monday afternoon led North Division officers to another stolen credit card bust, the second in recent weeks. Police pulled over a driver near 118 Avenue and 66 Street around 2:30 p.m., after running his plate, which matched the description of one involved in several frauds. Upon searching the vehicle, cops discovered several stolen credit cards, identification and drugs. Felix Ling Ho Loo, 35, was charged with possession of stolen credit cards, personation, obstruction, disqualified driving and possession of a controlled substance. He was also wanted on a Canada-wide warrant. **METRO EDMONTON**

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What's online today.

Video Special cart allows wheelchair-bound golfer to stay on the links at metronews.ca/canada

Video A Pakistani couple is forced to leave their kids behind after being deported at metronews.ca/canada

Video Tourists delighted by the return of Mounties and their black steeds to Parliament Hill at metronews.ca/canada



Councillor aims to make city safe for cyclists

GRAHAM MCCANN
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TRANSPORTATION There was a time when people had no choice but to use physical activity, such as cycling, to get to where they want to go. Ward five Coun. Don Iveson, told Edmonton to "share the road" yesterday, reminding the city to keep safe as he brought his enthusiasm for creating a

better city for cyclists.

"It is much safer to cycle than people think, there



hasn't been enough public education about sharing the road," said Iveson.

"Many cities around the world are making it possible to cycle for more trips in the day," he added.

There were 235 bicycle collisions in 2008, and one of the highest causes was motorists not yielding to cyclists.

"Many drivers don't know that bikes have the

same responsibilities as motor vehicles, and have the same rights," Iveson added.

Ben Mittelsteadt of Edmonton Transportation said that the warmer weather brings out a higher number of vulnerable road users, like cyclists, so more incidents occur.

Iveson also said that he is trying to get himself and his wife to share one car instead of two.




Coun. Don Iveson



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Ex-PM surprised, but happy over appointment

Former prime minister Jean Chrétien says he was surprised but happy to learn Queen Elizabeth had awarded him the exclusive Order of Merit, despite his penchant for salty language and willingness to sing badly in front of thousands of people, CBC News Online reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Canada/World

Outrage over new visa restrictions

Tourism industry worries of rules' impact

Mississauga, Ont.'s Sharon Corona is expecting relatives from Mexico over the next couple of days and has a few choice words for the Conservative government.

"If you run into (Prime Minister Stephen) Harper tell him he's lost my vote," the American Airlines employee said.

Corona, like others, was livid with the decision announced Monday by Immigration Minister Jason Kenney to impose a visa requirement on tourists from Mexico and the Czech Republic.

"It is such an injustice to all the people down there (in Mexico) like my husband's cousins, who

Mexican tourists

Members of the tourism industry said the government edict came without warning and will devastate a sector that's already on the ropes. Mexican tourists currently make up the fourth largest group of visitors to Canada each year.

bought their ticket over a month ago. Nobody down there knows about it," said Corona, whose husband is originally from Mexico City.

Corona's mother and father-in-law were to arrive last night, in time to benefit from a grace period al-

lowing them to apply for the visa in Canada. But her nephews are scheduled to travel after the grace period expires tonight, putting their trip in doubt.

Claudio Aescalante also blames the Canadian government for ruining his family vacation.

An environmental consultant from Mexico City, Aescalante booked his family's Toronto-area getaway to visit a family member a month ago, and he was eagerly awaiting his departure next week. Now, the only thing Aescalante is seeing is his family's summer trip going down the drain — at a potential cost of up to \$2,000.

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People outside the Sahafi hotel where two foreigners were kidnapped yesterday in Mogadishu.

Two French officials posing as reporters abducted in Somalia

Somali gunmen stormed into a Mogadishu hotel yesterday and kidnapped two French officials working as security advisers for the Somali government, witnesses and officials said.

A Somali government official, who asked not to be named, said the two Frenchmen had been posing as reporters for their own protection. "They

were security consultants who arrived in Somalia to train State House security guards, not journalists," the official said.

The French Foreign Ministry confirmed that two French officials working as security advisers to the Somali government had been kidnapped. A ministry statement issued in Paris said the men were on an "official mission" when

they were seized by a group of armed men. "They were providing help in security matters to the transitional federal government of President Sheikh Sharif," it added.

With hardline Islamist insurgents battling government troops on a daily basis, Mogadishu is one of the most dangerous cities in the world.

REUTERS

News in brief

TRIAL The key witness to the slaying of eight members of the outlaw biker Bandidos gang in 2006 in Ontario finally took the witness stand yesterday. The witness, who is living in a witness protection program, spoke on growing tensions between the Toronto and Winnipeg factions of the gang. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

PHONES It took a child to stump the creators of the BlackBerry, one of the world's top-selling smartphones. "Are you going to make a phone more for kids so that my mom will let me get one?" the child said from the packed audience at the annual shareholders' meeting at Canada's Research in Motion yesterday. **REUTERS**

Toronto Caribana costume



Costumed dancer Ashlie Valentine of Brampton, Ont. turns up the heat during a performance on stage at Dundas Square in Toronto to kick off Caribana. The festival runs until Aug. 3.

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China rebuffs genocide claim

UNREST China yesterday dismissed Turkey's accusation of genocide in its north-western Muslim region of Xinjiang, where rioting killed 184 people, mostly majority Han Chinese.

Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan said last week genocide was being committed in Xinjiang and called on Chinese authorities to intervene.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang said the accusation of genocide simply did not make sense. Most people who died in the riots were Han and over the past few decades the Uighur population in Xinjiang had shot up, he said.

"In which country could this be called genocide?" Qin told a regular news briefing. **REUTERS**

News in brief

AFGHANISTAN Six Ukrainians supplying British troops in Afghanistan were killed in a helicopter crash and two U.S. Marines and an Italian soldier were killed in what could become the bloodiest month in the eight-year-old war.

SUDAN A politician called for an inquiry into reports young women from the Christian south had been flogged for wearing trousers. **REUTERS**

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Comment

Life-changing experience through arts



Tracee Smith

Aboriginal students on reserves do not enjoy the rich programming those at publicly funded schools do. The majority of our 630 Aboriginal communities do not have the economic base — or geographic proximity — to offer dance classes, piano lessons, or graphic design instruction

that enrich the education of other Canadians.

Meanwhile, 70 per cent never graduate from high school, a figure that is critically important considering we are the fastest-growing population in Canada, with half of our 1.5 million people younger than 25.

But there are possibilities to inspire and nurture Aboriginal students.

I was once teaching dance in an isolated northern Ontario reserve when I realized how proud the youth were to perform in front of their

community. I thought: "What if I could get them performing in a huge theatre, with lights, and hundreds of people in downtown Toronto — how would those youth feel then?"

Hence, the founding of Outside Looking In.

Now in our third year, we are the only national charitable organization that works with Aboriginal communities and organizations throughout the academic year to bring kids from reserves to Toronto to perform, all through the power

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of the arts.

Students are instructed by professional dancers from Canada and the U.S.

The important — and only — catch is this: All participants must be in good academic standing and attend all of our rehearsals.

It's no easy task: These students are accountable to OLI and to themselves to earn every bit of success. The main event is the per-

formance they worked so hard to create. Through that event they feel what it is like to be treated like true stars — to get their hair and makeup done by professionals and sign autographs after the show.

While every participant has said OLI has changed their life, in some cases it has saved their lives. The majority of Aboriginal youth are considered at-risk with a lack of opportunities. Having these students succeed beyond their community boundaries gives them

hope that they can succeed as long as they work hard, stay in school, and pursue their passion and dreams.

I tell them it is up to them individually on how bright they want their light to shine, and each day is a choice to make that happen.

To learn about sponsorship and donation opportunities with OLI, go to www.olishow.net or email info@olishow.net

Tracee Smith, a member of the Missanabie Cree First Nation in northern Ontario, is a professional dancer and choreographer and founder of Outside Looking In.

Views

Nisga'a at fore of historic legislation



Joseph Quesnel

A historic conversation is occurring on a section of "Indian country" in northwestern British Columbia. Nisga'a First Nations people are debating legislation that may allow individual Nisga'a to own private land they can transfer to whomever they wish, Nisga'a or non-Nisga'a.

The Nisga'a Landholding Transition Act would permit individual Nisga'a to hold land in transferable "fee simple." Properties would be registered and protected in the Nisga'a Land Title Office.

This proposal would create real property rights, meaning land can be transferred to whomever one chooses.

This would be precedent setting since, under the Indian Act, on-reserve First Nations do not own their own land, which is held solely by the Crown.

On reserves, title is normally provided to individuals through certificates of possession distributed through band council. But these certificates are only transferable to other band members and exist at the whim of political leaders.

But Nisga'a, under their modern treaty passed by Parliament in 2000, are not governed under the Indian

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Act and their new agreement with the government placed ownership of Nisga'a land with Nisga'a Village governments.

Now, this same government proposes to allow individuals to claim residential plots. It is a small step, as the plots can be no more than 0.2 hectares (about half an acre), but this will allow for wealth creation and economic development on Nisga'a territory.

Wealth creation and poverty reduction are intimately connected to the institution of private property.

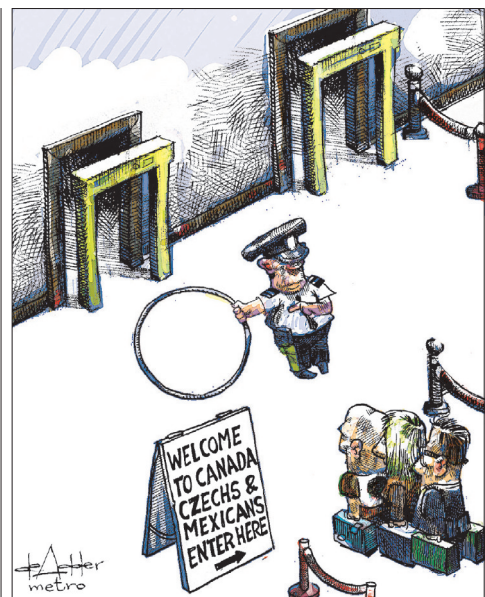
To grant individual property rights to Nisga'a residents will allow Nisga'a to leverage this land to secure credit and start businesses.

The debate in the Nisga'a territory must occur on First Nations territories everywhere.

Indigenous Canadians need to bring Indian Act bands and other indigenous communities into a robust system where land can be easily transferred to individual First Nations.

Then a real revolution for all indigenous people can occur.

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Former GE co-chair hospitalized for infection

Author and former General Electric Co. chairman and chief executive Jack Welch has been hospitalized with a bacterial infection but is expected to recover. **REUTERS**

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Business

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Home sales up in June

Market defies estimates with 17.9% jump over '08

John Cocomile can't seem to walk a few steps before his BlackBerry starts to buzz. It's another client trying to close on a home purchase.

"It's been like this for the last couple months," says Cocomile, a mortgage broker and owner of website greedymortgage.com. "Real-estate agents are normally on holiday in the summer, so everyone expected things to slow down. But, good gosh, stuff is really selling out there."

He's right. Canadian existing homes sales soared

"Good gosh, stuff is really selling out there."

John Cocomile

in June, up 17.9 per cent year over year to 54,416 units, according to a report released yesterday by the Canadian Real Estate Association. The national average sale price also reached new heights on a monthly basis, climbing 3.6 per cent year over to \$326,613.

On a quarterly basis, sales in the second quarter

were up 1.4 per cent, marking the first year over year increase since 2007.

The numbers beat consensus estimates by analysts and took some market watchers by surprise.

"Canada's housing market looks to have managed the equivalent of the great escape from the clutches of a lengthy, painful downturn," said BMO economist Doug Porter. "The rapid fire rebound in Canada's housing market is the most astonishing economic development of 2009."

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PC sales down 4% worldwide amid cutbacks

TECHNOLOGY The PC market is set to suffer a rare decline this year, while notebook shipments will surpass desktop sales for the first time, a technology research firm forecast.

Global shipments of PCs are on track to drop to 287.3 million units this year, down four per cent from 299.2 million units last year, said iSuppli Corp., based in California. It would be the first dive in annual PC shipments since the tech boom went bust in 2001, the firm noted.

"Tight budgets are putting the squeeze on corporate IT spending," said iSuppli's Matthew Wilkins in a release.

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Business In brief

CYBERCRIME The ever-weakening job market could well lead to an increase in online crime as laid-off workers, especially those with computer skills, turn to scams to support themselves, Cisco Systems Inc. said yesterday in a security report. Cisco warned that disgruntled former employees "can be especially damaging for an organization because insiders know security weaknesses."

BALLOUTS Goldman Sachs Group Inc. employees, on average, are close to \$1 million US of compensation and benefits this year, just months after the bank received bailout funds and other support from the government. **REUTERS**

London Postal strike looms



A man posts a letter in a Royal Mail post box in London, England yesterday. More than 12,000 British postal workers are set to strike this week in protest at cuts and management action at Royal Mail, the Communication Workers Union said.

Gas-weighted energy firms set to lag in second quarter

ENERGY Canadian energy companies whose production is weighted more to oil than natural gas will fare better in their second-quarter results as crude prices have staged a strong recovery.

However, when compared with last year's period of soaring prices, financial results, which the sector starts releasing this week, will show the stark impact of the recession on global energy demand.

"If you're looking year-over-year, it's going to be completely abysmal. If you're looking sequentially it's looking a little better, of course," Dundee Capital Markets analyst

Menno Hulshof said. "And it's the gas guys that are going to get hit harder here."

Nexen Inc is the first large Canadian energy concern out of the gate with its second-quarter results Thursday. Crude oil from such plays as its Buzzard field in the North Sea and its early-stage Long Lake oil sands project in Alberta makes up more than four-fifths of its production, which should bolster its showing, Hulshof said.

Still, analysts, on average, expect Nexen to earn 28 Canadian cents a share before unusual items, down 61 percent from the second quarter of 2008. **REUTERS**

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The Chicago Blackhawks removed general manager Dale Tallon from his post yesterday, and promoted assistant GM Stan Bowman to the general manager position. Tallon will remain with the organization, reassigned to the position of senior adviser of hockey operations. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports

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Missed Open just a painful memory for resurgent Tiger

BRITISH OPEN Tiger Woods has extra incentive to flourish at this week's British Open after missing last year's championship at Royal Birkdale while recovering from reconstructive knee surgery.

Twelve months ago the world No. 1 was confined to his home in Orlando, Fla., and experienced intense pain as he watched television coverage of Irishman Padraig Harrington's successful title defence. "My day consisted of trying to get from the bed to the couch and then from there back to the bed," three-times British Open champion Woods told reporters yesterday.

"That was my day. I was going through probably some of the worst pain at the time. Just basically the two-and-a-half week mark and I was in pretty

good pain."

Woods had knee surgery after clinching his 14th major title in a playoff for last year's U.S. Open at Torrey Pines and was then sidelined from the game for eight months.

He returned to the PGA Tour for the WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship in late February and has since triumphed three times in eight starts.

"It's been a tremendous success," Woods said of his 2009 campaign.

"I remember looking at the year and just trying to get back playing, (thinking) hopefully I can play and hopefully at a high level.

"Looking at my situation at the beginning of the year, to have three wins, I wouldn't have thought that. **REUTERS**



Tiger Woods

Cavendish wins his third stage

TOUR DE FRANCE Mark Cavendish won his third stage on the 2009 Tour de France yesterday, a 194.5-km trek ridden at a leisurely pace in an implicit protest by the riders at a ra-

dio-ban by organizers.

It was the seventh stage won on the Tour by the Briton, who is now one victory short of the British record held by Barry Hoban since 1975. **REUTERS**



American League All-Star Curtis Granderson hits a triple during the all-star game at Busch Stadium in St. Louis last night. Granderson proved to be the winning run, as the AL won 4-3.

AL extends streak NL hasn't won all-star game since 1996

ALL-STAR GAME

AL 4, NL 3

Mariano Rivera surpassed Dennis Eckersley for the most saves in all-star game history last night, closing the door for the fourth time as the American League used a late Adam Jones sacrifice fly to down the National League 4-3, extending its unbeaten streak to 13 games.

Jones' eighth-inning sacrifice fly to right plated Detroit's Curtis Granderson, who tripled off the base of the left-field fence earlier in the frame. The American League is now 12-0-1 in the last 13 midsummer classics, and the AL champion will have home field in the World Series.

The American League's unbeaten streak is the longest in the game's history, surpassing the Senior Circuit's 11-game run from

1972-1982. The AL's last loss was a 6-0 decision at Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium in 1996.

Jonathan Papelbon (1-0) pitched a flawless — albeit precarious seventh saved by Carl Crawford's tremendous, homer-saving catch in left — and Joe Nathan worked the eighth in front of Rivera. Crawford's catch and a 1-for-3 effort at the plate earned him the all-star game MVP award. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports in brief

BASEBALL The defending champion Philadelphia Phillies are reportedly set to sign veteran right-hander Pedro Martinez. A report on MLB.com revealed the Phillies will announce the signing today, a day after Martinez underwent a physical in Philadelphia.

SOCCER Argentinian star Carlos Tevez will move to Manchester City after rejecting the chance to stay at Manchester United, where he had spent the last two seasons. Tevez is Manchester City third major signing of the summer following the arrivals of Gareth Barry and Roque Santa Cruz.

FOOTBALL The Kansas City Chiefs signed off-season acquisition Matt Cassel to a multi-year contract yesterday. Kansas City traded a second-trade pick to New England earlier in the off-season in exchange for veteran linebacker Mike Vrabel and Cassel, whom the Patriots slapped with their franchise tag following his impressive 2008 campaign. The 27-year-old was expected to earn \$14.651 million this season.

HOCKEY The Carolina Hurricanes agreed to terms with right wing Tom Kostopoulos yesterday on a three-year contract that is worth more than \$2.7 million. The 30-year-old tallied eight goals and 14 assists in 78 games with the Montreal Canadiens last season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Workology

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Dance live and in-step to a career in choreography

Backstage Pass

JON TATTRE
for Metro Canada

David Connolly has choreographed for TV, movies and the stage. This spring, he was at Halifax's Neptune Theatre directing and choreographing a hit run of *High School Musical*, and that's where his passion lies: Live dance.

"Television and film is certainly more far reaching," he concedes. He choreographed the kids' TV show *The Doodlebops*, which is in six languages around the world. "People are doing the Wobbly Whoopsy all over the world because I invented the Wobbly Whoopsy. When you're having a really bad day, you're like, 'Oh, nope. There's a kid in Spain doing the Wobbly Whoopsy,'" he laughs.

Choreographing on the set of Deepa Mehta's *Hollywood/Bollywood* one winter, he found the dancers' breath was fogging up the camera lens: He had them chew ice to cool their breath.

"You get to do it till it's as right as it can be," he says. "The energy exchange in live theatre between what the audience is giving and what the actors are giving is where the magic happens. Boy, do you ever miss that in TV and film."

Connolly started his career acting on Broadway, but switched to choreography because it gave him greater control over his career. As a choreographer he's "higher on the food chain" and the work is more stable.

"I see how very often (who gets the acting role) has nothing to do with talent," he says. "At a certain point, there are ten people who can play that part, so it's going to factor in nothing to do with you personally and everything to do with how you look with him, or where you live, or who the musical director loves or has worked with before."



Choreographer David Connolly passion lies in live dance.

"The insecurity (of acting) is probably part of what drove me to the other side. But there's no greater re-

ward for me than to make somebody laugh or think. That balances out the insecurity of not knowing

For more of the Backstage Pass exclusive series check Workology frequently or stop by: metronews.ca/work

where the next job is."

Many fine arts university degrees offer choreography as part of a dance program. You don't have to be a super dancer to choreograph: It's more like a football coach teaching his star quarterback.

On its website, the University of Calgary's dance program notes dancers have historically studied with companies. "A university fine arts education prepares you in a similar way," it says.

Ottawa transit agist: Students

University students in Ottawa are criticizing the city over a new OC Transpo policy stipulating that full-time students over 27 cannot buy a student transit pass, which is nearly \$20 cheaper than the regular adult pass. Along with a failed U-Pass pilot project, the president of uOttawa's student federation says the age limit sends a bad message to students.

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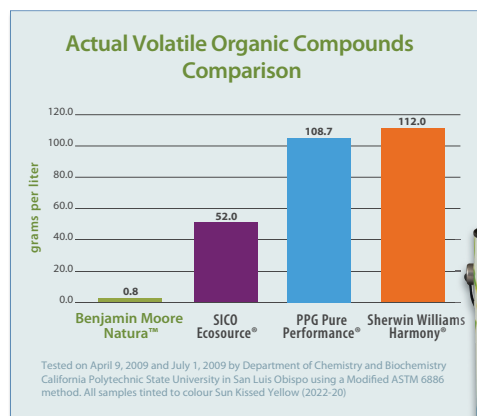
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Japan's postal service will deploy 40 electric vehicles this year, according to the Green Car Congress. Japan Post Service has signed five-year leases for 20 units each of the Mitsubishi i-MiEV and the Subaru Plug-In Stella. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Metro Drive

Green outlook

More than 27 per cent of Canadians today would buy an environmentally-friendly car over a dream car, compared to 23 per cent of Americans, a new survey by global market research firm Synovate has found. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Return of diesel Jetta

VW gets down to heart of the matter — its engine

LORENE DRURY
for Metro Canada

Volkswagen's 2009 Jetta TDI sedan doesn't set any new standards as far as exterior design is concerned; it's what's lurking under the hood that really matters.

The state-of-the-art clean diesel technology available in the Jetta will be THE key selling feature of the new model, which is helping VW achieve sales increases in Canada while most

manufacturers have been losing market share.

Volkswagen has a long history with diesels and the Jetta TDI has been one of its sales leaders over the years. In fact, in 2006 about half of all Jettas sold in Canada had the old 1.9-litre TDI turbo diesel engine.

However, changing emissions regulations rendered that engine obsolete and in 2007, VW didn't offer any diesel models.

The new diesel engine not only meets the tougher



After an absence of more than a year, Volkswagen is back with a diesel engine in its 2009 Jetta.

emissions regulations throughout all of North America, but it also is smoother, quieter, more powerful and more fuel-efficient than the previous diesel.

Gone are the days of the

black smoke billowing out of the tailpipe as you drive merrily on your way, smugly telling the world that you're getting great fuel economy with your diesel, while at the same time adding piles of CO2 to the atmosphere.

Gone too is the "clatter" previously associated with diesel engines — at speed up you can barely hear the engine sound although it is audible at start up.

A plus with the new 2.0-litre engine is the extra power that comes without sacrificing fuel economy. The new engine produces 140 hp and 235 lb/ft of torque, compared with 100 hp and 177 lb/ft with the previous model.

That added grunt comes in handy when accelerating

onto the highway or in passing mode.

As for fuel economy, the numbers are impressive — 6.8L/100 km city and 4.9L/100 km highway with the six-speed DSG automatic transmission. A six-

speed manual gets slightly better fuel economy still.

While the Jetta is clearly a leader on the technological side, styling-wise it's a fairly bland offering. Unlike the eye-catching look of its Passat CC sibling, the Jetta TDI blends in with the crowd.

Similarly, the interior is a functional yet dull Plain Jane gray on gray colour. However, all knobs and gauges are easy to use and within reach, while the seats are comfortable.



Inside, the Jetta TDI is comfortable and functional, but not as up-to-date styling-wise as many in the mid-size market.

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Vancouver's city council has unanimously approved new regulations that will require electric vehicle charging stations in new condominium and apartment buildings, according to the Green Car Congress. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

View from the infinitely adjustable seat

AutoPilot

Michael Goetz

metronews.ca/autopilot

I recently tried out the new Mercedes-Benz E Class Coupe and liked it. My butt was particularly impressed.

That is one fine seat.

It features a unique sculpted shape, beautiful leather, lovely cross stitching, and 10-way power adjustments for positioning — plus four other power adjustments to make you even more comfortable.

Those extra four dials located on the inboard side of the front seats can inflate and deflate six different bladders; there's one set for the side bolsters in the seat cushion, another set for the side bolsters in the lower seat back, and two individual ones for lumbar.

Crank up all the bolsters and the seat hugs your backside like a body suit.

The lumbar feature is equally powerful; at one point it may have adjusted my prostate.

Of course, like a lot of luxury car seats, the seats also offer heating and cooling functions. (One of my favourite things to do with unsuspecting passengers in warm weather, is secretly turn their seats to low heat and see if they're the type that figures it out right away, or the type that just keeps squirming.)

We've obviously come a long way, from the bench seats of yore.

I'm not suggesting we go

back to those vinyl wonders, but one wonders if the most comfortable, adjustable chair you get to sit in any given day should be the one in the 4,000-pound device that uses premium unleaded? Aren't we trying to get people out of the car a little bit? And we wonder why people keep choosing the drive-thru at Tim Horton's, even when it takes longer than the walk-in option.

The other thing that gets me about these infinitely adjustable seats, is that you spend an inordinate time



The plush seats of the Mercedes-Benz E Class Coupe get Michael Goetz thinking about the trappings of luxurious technology.

fiddling with the adjustments. With so many settings, you feel that seating

utopia is suddenly possible, so you adjust and adjust and adjust ... but you never

get to that place of backside enlightenment... it's just a mirage in the desert.

And when you think you're JUST THERE, you make one small adjustment to the recline angle, which begets one more small adjustment to the seat cushion tilt, which begets one more small adjustment in the lumbar, which suddenly makes everything ALL WRONG, which begets you to gnaw the steering wheel.

This exercise reminds me of what you go through when a waiter or waitress

tops up your coffee cup. You now have to figure out what precise increments of sugar and cream to add. With no reference point any more it's all a guessing game — one you usually lose.

But don't let my seat issues detract from your enjoyment of the continuing evolution of the automotive seat. Please, adjust away!

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for more than 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

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Mazdaspeed3 pricing announced

NEW MODEL In Canadian dealerships this month, the second-generation Mazdaspeed3, one of the fastest front-wheel drive cars available, has been priced at \$32,995.

The 2010 Mazdaspeed3 is born from the expressive and dynamic design of the Mazda3 Sport hatchback but is differentiated by its Mazdaspeed exclusive front and rear bumpers, front fenders, scooped hood, rear spoiler, interior trim and fabric.

The model will be offered in Velocity Red, Crystal White Pearl, Celestial Blue Mica and Black Mica paint colours.

It features a series of improvements including its engine — the acclaimed MZR 2.3L DISI Turbo producing 263 hp at 5,500 rpm and 280 ft/lb of torque at 3,000 rpm, and its specially-designed six-speed manual transmission.

FROM CARGUIDE

Watching what to eat on the road

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
for Metro Canada

Concerned about drowsiness at the wheel? As the road trip season is upon us, some planning for meals and beverages can help keep your focus and attention on high-alert. Justin Pritchard asks Dr. Jennifer Strong, a member of the Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors, for the scoop on what not to eat when planning an hours-long road trip.

Q Driving requires one to be alert and energetic — not tired or

drowsy. If you're planning a nine-hour drive in a single day, are there certain foods to avoid eating?

A Foods to avoid would be anything that is hard to digest, or anything high in simple sugars. This includes greasy, fatty meals, which can leave you feeling in need of a nap afterwards.

High sugar foods like candy, chocolate and slushies are good for an immediate sugar rush, but you'll have a 'sugar crash' after, and feel even more tired than before.

Tryptophan is found in most meat and dairy products. It's an amino acid

known to make you feel a little drowsy if consumed in large quantities — so avoid gobbling down multiple double-cheeseburgers on the go.

Q Are there certain foods that can promote alertness and focus on a long trip?

A Nothing substitutes for a good night's rest the evening before. Then, the goal on the road should be to maintain a normal blood sugar level. Foods that have adequate amounts of complex carbohydrates and natural sugars are ideal.

These include nuts and dried fruit, trail-mix, gra-

nola, fresh fruit, whole grain cereals for munching, low fat string cheese, and veggie slices.

Q What about the timing of a meal before or during a drive?

A You'll be in a seated, sedentary position, so not many calories will be expended. Therefore, small snacks every three hours or so are ideal to maintain normal blood-sugar levels.

Plan ahead and pack your food in a cooler, as opposed to being stuck with fast food. Planning meals and snacks ahead of time allows people to more easily make healthy



If you planning to do a long road-trip this summer, it might be wise to think about what you will eat before and during the trip.

choices. Plus, your snacks are available to you at all times without waiting.

Lastly, don't hold back on the fluids. It may be tempting to drink less on the road to reduce bathroom stops, but it's important to be hydrated in or-

der to remain alert and avoid headaches.

Hunger pains can often be "thirst pains" — so before you reach for the snack, take a drink of water and wait a few minutes to see if that satisfies you.

Travelocity.ca has added charter flights to its booking options. To search for and book charter flights, just click on the "Charter Flights" link on the site's "Flights" tab. The site will also continue to offer charter flights as part of pre-packaged vacations. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Charter flight offerings

Travel

No more rock-climbing?

A controversial Australian government proposal could stop people from climbing the famed Uluru — formerly known as Ayers Rock — in deference to the wishes of local Aborigine people, for whom the 348-metre rock is sacred. Uluru, known for its shifting red-ochre colours, is a top tourist draw: each year, it gets 350,000 visitors, half of them from overseas, and is climbed by more than 100,000 visitors. **REUTERS**



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Parisians! Start smiling for the tourists, please

Officials try to counter poll that named Paris most overrated city

Faced with a fall in tourist numbers due to the financial crisis and a reputation for unfriendliness, the Paris tourist board has made a simple request to the city's residents: smile.

Visitors to Paris, the world's most visited city, have fallen 17 per cent since January compared with the same period in 2008, official figures show.

To counter the slump and boost revenues, the tourist board has set up stands manned by teams of "smile ambassadors" to welcome holiday makers at the city's most popular spots.

As if to heed its call, hundreds of roller-skaters formed a giant smile in the city centre on Sunday. "We have to work on striking and simple images. There's nothing as telling as a smile," said Paul Roll, who heads the tourist board.

In May, a questionnaire carried out by travel site



Volunteers stand to form the shape of a smile at Place Vendôme in Paris on July 12. Paris, the world's top tourist destination, is using the slogan "Paris smiles for you!" to welcome visitors.

TripAdvisor found Paris to be the most over-rated city in Europe, citing its high prices and unpleasant residents.

Daniel Fasquelle, founder of a tourism association, said that French from all walks of life needed to play their part.

"If we want tourism, which has generated more than two million jobs, to remain a major economic sector, everyone has to get be-

hind it — professionals, elected representatives, and French people," he said.

"It's the American tourist lost in Paris that we inform politely, it's the English person looking for the way in northern France who we don't get impatient with by honking our car horns," he said.

Paris is doing more than trying to make its residents smile to draw in more visi-

tors. It is now possible to enjoy a virtual visit of the Champs-Élysées, the so-called "most beautiful avenue in the world," on the ChampsElysees.org.

Plans for a string of new luxury hotels are also in the pipeline, and Secretary of State for Tourism, Herve Novelli, is counting on a cut in taxes for the restaurant industry, which just came into force, to boost tourism.

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Udaipur voted world's best city for travellers

INDIA The Indian city of Udaipur, known as the Venice of the East, was voted the world's best city for travellers in 2009 in an online poll by Travel + Leisure magazine, trumping last year's winner Bangkok.

The island of Bali in Indonesia topped the Galapagos to be named best island in the annual poll, in which casual and laid-back destinations prevailed.

Magazine readers also voted Bushmans Kloof Cedar Mountains, in South Africa, as the world's top hotel while Singapore Airlines grabbed the best airline award again.

Nancy Novogrod, editor-in-chief of Travel + Leisure said this year's poll reflected changing travel interests in a challenging economy, with Udaipur, famous

for its canals and palaces, a current tourist favourite for well-heeled Westerners. "Value, intimacy, service, and discovery are top priorities. As for that so-last-August-sounding word, luxury, it's all about enclaves that shelter stealth wealth," she said in a statement. Novogrod said dramatically sited outposts ranging from Jade Mountain in St. Lucia to San Ysidro Ranch in California featured highly this year.

The results were compiled from votes by magazine subscribers in an Internet poll which went live between January and March. Travel + Leisure will honour winners on July 21 in New York. The complete World's Best Awards is available on travelandleisure.com. **REUTERS**



A view over the city of Udaipur in Rajasthan, India, showing Pichola Lake and City Palace.

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Insuring the weather

Sun-seekers whose holidays are spoiled by at least four days of rain in any one week could be reimbursed after two French travel agencies, Pierre et Vacances and FranceLoc, launched insurance cover for unwanted interruptions to the sunshine. **REUTERS**

Capital sights in Vilnius

Lithuanian city is in the cultural spotlight this year

JOHAN ÖBERG
Metro World News



The capital of Lithuania and Europe's oldest baroque old town, Vilnius, is European Capital of Culture 2009.

This city already had a vibrant arts scene, and throughout this year it's even more alive with exciting events from art exhibitions and music festivals to theatre and literature festivals.

This stunning town will charm you with its cobbled alleyways, cosy bars and intriguing combination of beautifully-preserved churches and the world's only statue of psychedelic musician Frank Zappa.

While you're there, here are a few sights and experiences you shouldn't miss: **Gediminas Castle:** A perfect beginning for your visit to Vilnius is braving the walk up to Gediminas Castle to get a view of the city. You will see the old town, the river Neris and the 328-metre-tall TV tower.

Cathedral Square: On weekends the square is filled with newlyweds who are photographed before heading off to their receptions. The city's many limousines. Vilnius has more



A view of Gediminas Castle in Vilnius, Lithuania.

limos than any other European capital.

Pigs' ears: Stroll down Pilies gatvė and have a rest at one of the many cafés

and pubs, where a plate of smoked pig ears is a mandatory snack.

Old Town: The heart of the Old Town offers approxi-

mately one square kilometre of UNESCO World Heritage beauty, with lovely baroque buildings and surprises on every street corner.

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More details

- vilnius-tourism.lt
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Travel in brief

INDIA New separatist protests by ethnic Nepalis in India's Darjeeling hills are hampering tourism and threatening to cut production of the area's eponymous tea by more than 20 per cent, industry officials said yesterday. The Gurkhas called an indefinite strike on Monday demanding their own federal state, Gurkhaland, which they

want carved out of the eastern state of West Bengal to protect their heritage. "Darjeeling is the only place in eastern India which witnesses high footfalls of foreign tourists. Now all that is going to end with frequent strikes," said Anil Punjabi, regional chairman of the Travel Agents' Federation of India.

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British comedian Russell Brand will return to host the MTV Video Music Awards, which promises to have performances all over Manhattan, including Radio City Music Hall. Taylor Swift and British rockers Muse will perform. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Entertainment

EDITOR: DEAN.LISK@METRONWS.CA

Promoter wants Jacksons to sing at U.K. tribute gig

The company behind Michael Jackson's planned comeback said he wanted to stage a one-off tribute concert in the city featuring members of the late pop star's family.



Jackson

to the This Is It shows.

AEG Live chief executive Randy Phillips said yesterday he was hopeful of holding the tribute gig in London on Aug. 29.

"The number one item I'm discussing is presenting This Is It the production, hopefully with the Jacksons and may be Janet, and other artists," Phillips said. "What we're thinking about is one massive tribute that's broadcast around the globe."

REUTERS

Potter takes dark turn

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

Director: David Yates

Stars: Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson

Classification: PG

Rating: @@@½

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW If the fanciful world of Harry Potter were real, any parent who opted to send their kids to Hogwarts would need to have their head examined.

For why would any rational person allow their child to attend a school where lethal poisons are part of the curriculum, where the recreational sport is a brutal form of football played 100 feet in the air on flying broomsticks, and where an evil, homicidal monster attacks the student body at the climax of every school year? This critic has never been able to get past this conceit but what do I know, really...

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, the sixth film based on author J.K. Rowling's phenomenally popular series of young adult novels is, as advertised, a leaner, meaner and far darker entry than 2007's Order of the Phoenix. But higher stakes and grimmer themes aside, this is ultimately just another Potter picture, as good and as flawed as any of them.

"Chosen One" Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) returns to Hogwarts for yet another fun-filled run of sweaty palmed teen angst and supernatural derring-



Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince is the sixth film based on author J.K. Rowling's series of books.

Screen times

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do and once again, something sinister pulses in the peripheral.

As Harry struggles through potions class with new teacher Horace Slughorn, utilizing a found textbook that once belonged to the mysterious titular Prince, antagonist Draco Malfoy (Tom Felton) may or may not be aligning himself with the Death Eaters, paving the way once

again for the return of Lord Voldemort.

The film looks absolutely spectacular, with handsome production design, flawless digital effects and appropriately bleak, washed out cinematography. The young cast, especially Felton and Emma Watson, have matured into fine, unusually attractive screen presences and the older cast is first rate.

But the big issue I have with the Potter flicks is that they are almost entirely reliant on fans familiarity with the source novels and, in being almost scientifically faithful to those texts, they never feel like fully developed works in their own right.

Half-Blood Prince feels too long, yet far too underdeveloped to support its labyrinthine narrative and character arcs and is occasionally incomprehensible. Dramatic scene after effects soaked set piece follow each other, making the whole enterprise akin to a sort of "greatest hits" of the book.

Still, hardcore fans will likely eat it up. Casual viewers, maybe not so much.

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First baby on the way

Victoria's Secret model Karolina Kurkova is pregnant. "Supermodel and actress Karolina Kurkova and her fiancé, film producer Archie Drury, have announced that they are expecting their first child," her rep says. USMAGAZINE.COM



International appeal

Meaghan wins, Edmonton's Linsay loses showdown

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

Meaghan Waller doesn't know where she found the gusto to stomp it out so powerfully in the final runway show on Canada's Next Top Model.

But the competition's newly crowned winner said the final challenge that propelled her to victory was the most amazing experience of her life.

"It was like a euphoria, with all the lights and cheering," said Winnipeg's Waller in the Toronto Fashion District office of her new representation, Elmer Olsen Model Management. "I'm pretty much on cloud nine."

Last night's finale began with the three finalists partaking in their last photo shoot — a bold solo cover image for Fashion Magazine. Nikita Kiceluk of Calgary, Alta., appeared to have the upper hand, having been praised earlier for her strong editorial look.

And while Waller's appearance is comparably softer than her competitors, she received largely positive feedback by the creative team on set.

However, it was Edmonton's Linsay Willier, donning a straight-on smile in her image, who ended up capturing the client's favour, winning the challenge and securing her spot in the final two.

And despite her past performance, Kiceluk crumbled in front of the judges, who continued to contend a self-deprecating front was holding the hopeful back from exuding the confidence required in the modelling industry.

"She plays it off as though she's the most confident girl you would meet, but I always think there's something underlying," said Waller. "You can't be that confident."

Instead, the panel selected Waller to join Willier in a final runway showdown that would determine the competition's winner.



Canada's Next Top Model winner Meaghan Waller says modelling is more than "just a pretty face."

In a runway show for fashion design team The Blonds, the dressed-up duo competed for the attention of the judges, who evaluated them from the audience's front row.

Willier's past runway acclaim was maintained during the show, as she marched strong and focused. But Waller wowed the judges with an unex-

pectedly powerful walk they hadn't seen from her before.

When the judges were forced to choose between the women who had appeared to perform equally well, tempers took hold and tears streamed. But it was Waller's perceived international appeal that inched her ahead of Willier, to win the third cycle of the competition.

"I think I ended up winning in the end because I'm a fresh face, I'm new to the industry and something people haven't seen before," said Waller. "I'm very versatile and will hopefully be a very good role model."

With her newfound publicity, Waller said she aims to raise awareness for many causes including cancer research, having had several loved ones affected by the disease.

"I want to make it known that modelling is not just a pretty face in a couple of photo shoots. It's a lot more than that."

Fawcett's friend to release diaries from her last years

BOOK A close friend of late Charlie's Angels star Farrah Fawcett will publish her personal diaries about the actress' three-year struggle with cancer next month.

My Journey with Farrah: A Story of Life, Love and Friendship, by Alana Stewart, will come out on Aug. 11 — less than two months after Fawcett succumbed to anal cancer on June 25. The book is thought to be the first insider's look at Fawcett's illness.

Stewart, the ex-wife of rocker Rod Stewart and a friend of Fawcett's for 30 years, said she was encouraged to go into print by Fawcett herself and by Ryan O'Neal, the Love Story movie star who was Fawcett's long time com-

panion.

"Farrah had originally encouraged me to write this book. It was her idea. However, while I was contemplating my decision, her health took a turn for the worse, and I could no longer seek her advice," Stewart said in a statement.

"So I turned to Ryan O'Neal. He was so positive and so supportive. 'You have to do it,' he said emphatically. 'There will be lots of people writing books about her. Yours will be the truth, and it will be a wonderful tribute to her. You have to do it!'", she said. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Farrah Fawcett Foundation to support cancer research.

REUTERS

In brief

ONLINE Fans of HBO shows such as the Sopranos and The Wire can now watch them online if they are Comcast Corp subscribers, in the latest move by the cable TV industry to make TV programs available on the Web. Both Comcast and HBO parent Time Warner Inc

are leading the U.S. TV industry with initiatives called On Demand Online and TV Everywhere designed to help cable and satellite TV providers authenticate paying subscribers who choose to watch shows on the Web.

REUTERS

Archer: Comedy of cartoon spies

SERIES X is making a rare foray into animation with a new comedy series from Adam Reed, the cable network's first cartoon in 10 years. Tentatively titled Archer, the series is set at an international spy agency whose highly trained employees constantly confuse, undermine and betray one another.

Big Valley headed to the big screen

ADAPTATION The 1960s TV Western The Big Valley will be revisited as a feature film. The series, which ran on ABC from 1965-69, starred Barbara Stanwyck as the matriarch of a ranching clan in California's San Joaquin Valley in the 1870s. Lee Majors and Linda Evans were among the stars.

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Kenya's Style

Kenya Hunt

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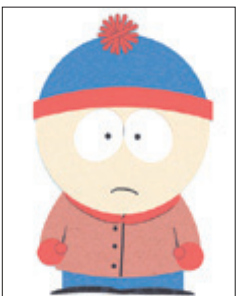
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South Park

Poor Stan. Wendy doesn't want to be his girlfriend anymore, and he's crushed. To cheer him up, his friends take him to Ralston, a restaurant that bears a striking resemblance to Hooters but with much younger waitresses. It doesn't work, so Stan tries hanging out with the Goth kids instead. Butters, meanwhile, mistakes one waitress' friendliness for True Love. Something tells us this won't end well. 10:30 PM on COM



Throwing Stones

It's sort of a Canadian "Steel Magnolias" — but the curling in this comedy pilot takes place in a rink, not a hair salon. It's the story of four working-class women in Winnipeg who find a common bond as members of a ladies curling club. Oscar winner Patty Duke leads a cast that includes Lolita Davidovich ("ZOS: Zone of Separation"), Caroline Neron ("Traders"), Stephanie Mills ("Rumours") and Barbara Radecki ("Getting Along Famously"). 9 PM on CBXT

Scarlett Johansson's first advert campaign for Mango has been released, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The Hollywood beauty sizzles in a series of sultry images for the Spanish retailer's Autumn/Winter 09 collection. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Jessica's big birthday bust

WHAT A NICE GUY Tony Romo picked quite the day to call it quits with longtime girlfriend Jessica Simpson. The NFL quarterback reportedly dumped the singer the night before her big, Barbie and Ken-themed birthday bash, which she promptly cancelled.

"Jess was too heartbroken to have a big bash," a source tells Gatecrasher.

The reason for the split was simple, says another source: "Jessica was ready to settle down, and Tony was not."

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Janet wants the children

FIGHT FOR CUSTODY Janet Jackson wants custody of Michael Jackson's three children, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The late star had reportedly discussed his wishes for his kids — Prince Michael I, 12, Paris, 11, and Prince Michael II, 7, known as Blanket — in the event of his death and was even planning to draft a new will to amend custody details. A source said: "There was a lot of rifts in the family, but Janet was the one person he spoke to regularly and he made sure

the children kept in touch with her too.

"When he had health concerns, he had a talk with Janet about how much she meant to him and the children, and how if anything happened to him, he wanted her to make sure the children would be loved and cared for in the same way he was raising them."

Janet has the support of her siblings in taking over as primary caregiver.

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Partying could ruin my music

IS THAT A BAD THING? Katy Perry refuses to overdo it when she's partying — because she's worried it will ruin her pop career, femalefirst.co.uk reports. "I've seen too many people live that way and almost wreck their careers ...

These days I see the wisdom in having a good night's sleep."

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Fox slams Transformers

BUT THE MONEY IS NICE Megan Fox can't seem to stop herself from slamming her new film, Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen. "I forced myself to sit down for Transformers 2," Fox says, according to the Sun. "I shot an entire glass of champagne so that I could get through it."

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Back and better than ever?

ISLAND REHAB Amy Winehouse is back. She arrived in the U.K. from St. Lucia Monday, looking initially tearful to be home, but healthier than she has for ages, people.com reports.

Winehouse, 25, who has been in the Caribbean island for much of the year is planning on catching

up with friends and working on her new music. But most noticeable is her improved complexion and fuller figure.

"She is good. She has been looking after herself," says a friend. "She did a lot of exercise and she has been eating better. Look at her — she is not what she was."

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Retiring at 60

ALRIGHTY THEN Quentin Tarantino tells GQ that he'll retire from filmmaking when he turns 60 because he doesn't want his work to deteriorate. "Directors don't get better, they get worse," he explains. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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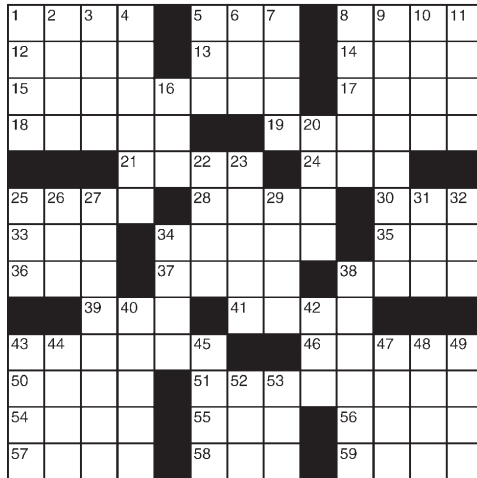
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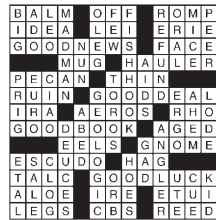
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| 7 Remaining | 29 Sicilian spouter | 48 Carrots' partners |
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Spicy Crab with Chili Mayo

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 green chilli pepper
- 1 small green pepper
- 1 small red onion
- 3 scallions
- 4 dressed crabs in their shells, to yield 1 lb (500 g) crab meat
- 3 oz (85 g) ricotta cheese
- Salt and black pepper
- 1 1/4 cups (300 ml) French mayonnaise
- 1 tsp (5 ml) dried chili flakes
- 4 slices of white bread

METHOD:

1. Rinse, dry, deseed and finely slice peppers. Halve, peel and thinly slice red onion. Rinse, dry, trim and slice scallions, including some of green parts, and put all into mixing bowl.
2. Take crab meat out of shells and add to mixing bowl with ricotta cheese,

stirring until well combined. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

3. Stir chili flakes into mayonnaise and season with salt and pepper if necessary. Place in serving bowl and set aside.
4. Toast bread, quarter into triangles, and arrange on serving platter. Pile crab mixture in centre and place bowl of chili mayonnaise on one side.
5. Let each person help themselves to crab mixture, spreading on toast and topping with chili-flavoured mayonnaise.

SERVES 4



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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
 Little things will annoy you today and you will snap at people who move too slow for your liking.



TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
 Minor setbacks are just that — minor — so don't get worked up about them. A positive attitude is a must if you are going to overcome obstacles today.



LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
 Someone in a position of authority won't take kindly to you pointing out where they've gone wrong, but do so anyway.



SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
 Don't be too eager to draw conclusions from limited information. Just because the facts point in a single direction does not mean it's right.



GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
 You could lose out if you let someone persuade you that what their heart says should be allowed to overrule what your head is telling you.



SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
 A personal matter you were hoping to keep secret will become common knowledge today and you won't be pleased.



CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
 Other people's demands are simply too much and the sooner you let them know you have no intention of giving in to them, the better.



CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
 Common sense is a commodity that appears to be in short supply at the moment, so don't expect others to see things as clearly as you.



LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
 Everyone seems to be running around in a blind panic at the moment. Why? It's not as if the current crisis — so-called — is something new.



AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
 You expect so much of yourself that, inevitably, you sometimes fall short and feel like a failure. Jupiter in your sign is once again raising your ambitions.



VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
 You are allowed to disagree with the powers that be and you are allowed to express your opinions in any way and at any level you see fit.



PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
 The Sun remains in the most dynamic area of your chart just one more week and you should make use of it to succeed at a creative project.



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